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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re: Chapter 11

BED BATH & BEYOND INC., et al.,

Debtors.¹

Case No. 23-13359 (VFP)

(Joint Administration Requested)

APPLICATION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF DEREK I. HUNTER

Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. and its affiliated debtors in possession (the "<u>Debtors</u>"), by and through their counsel, Cole Schotz P.C. respectfully submit this application (the "<u>Application</u>"), for the *pro hac vice* admission of Derek I. Hunter, and represents as follows:

1. On April 23, 2023, the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, commencing the above captioned chapter 11 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey.

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The last four digits of Debtor Bed Bath & Beyond Inc.'s tax identification number are 0488. A complete list of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and each such Debtor's tax identification number may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/bbby. The location of Debtor Bed Bath & Beyond Inc.'s principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 650 Liberty Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083.

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2. Derek I. Hunter, a partner in the firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP has represented the

Debtors in connection with these matters. Because of his familiarity with the facts and

circumstances relevant to the Debtors in these matters, the Debtors request that Mr. Hunter be

allowed to appear *pro hac vice* in the within matters.

3. As set forth in the Certification of Mr. Hunter, annexed hereto as Exhibit A,

Mr. Hunter is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of New York. Mr. Hunter is not

under suspension or disbarment by any court.

4. If admitted pro hac vice, Mr. Hunter has represented that he will adhere to the

disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the Court grant the Debtors' Application,

pursuant to D.N.J. LBR 9010-1 and L. Civ. R. 101.1(c), to admit counsel pro hac vice in the

above captioned matters.

Respectfully submitted,

COLE SCHOTZ P.C.

Attorneys for Bed Bath & Beyond Inc.

By: /s/ Michael D. Sirota

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CERTIFICATION OF DEREK I. HUNTER IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION OF DEREK I. HUNTER

Derek I. Hunter, of full age, hereby certifies as follows:

1. I am an attorney-at-law duly admitted to practice before the courts of the State of New York, and a partner in the firm of Kirkland and Ellis LLP, counsel for Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (the "Debtors"). I submit this Certification in support of the accompanying Application for my admission *pro hac vice*.

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- 2. I was admitted to practice in the State of New York in 2017, and the United States

 District Court for the Southern District of New York in 2018.
- 3. I am in good standing before the courts in which I am admitted, and I have not been disbarred, suspended or disciplined by any court or administrative body. The name and address of the office maintaining the roll of members in good standing for the state of New York bar is Appellate Division, 1st Department, 27 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010. The name and address of the office maintaining the roll of members in good standing for the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York bar is Southern District of New York, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York 10007.
- 4. The Debtors filed the within Application for the Professional Corporation's *pro hac vice* admission in these matters due to my familiarity with the facts and circumstances relevant to its interests. If the Application is granted, I agree to abide by this Court's local rules and to submit myself to the disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court.
- 5. I hereby designate the following member of the bar of this Court with whom the Court and opposing counsel may communicate regarding these cases: Michael D. Sirota, Esq.
- 6. For the foregoing reasons, I respectfully request the Professional Corporation's application for admission *pro hac vice* be granted.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Derek I. Hunter

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